

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims shall replace all previous versions, and listings, of claims in this application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A coating comprising:

polymer particles selected from the group consisting of acrylic polymers, polyacrylates, polyacrylamides, polyacrylic acids, and copolymers thereof, wherein said polymer particles have a mean particle size of about 0.01 to 0.5 mm; and

water, wherein said water hydrates and swells said polymer particles and forms an anti-traction material in the form of a viscous gel coating.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Cancelled)

4. (Previously Presented) The coating according to claim 1, wherein the coating, after drying, is capable of being restored to an anti-traction material upon application of additional water.

5. (Previously Presented) The coating according to claim 1, wherein a ratio of said water to said polymer particles range from about 7:1 to about 16:1 by weight.

6. (Previously Presented) The coating according to claim 1, wherein a ratio of water to said polymer particles is about 8:1 by weight.

7. (Cancelled)

8. (Previously Presented) The coating according to claim 1, wherein said coating is capable of being dispensed on and adhering to horizontal, sloping or vertical surfaces.

9. (Previously Presented) The coating according to claim 1, further comprising additives selected from the group consisting of malodorants, chemicals, colorants, and mixtures thereof.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Previously Presented) A method of producing the coating of claim 1, comprising mixing said polymer particles and said water immediately prior to applying said coating to a target surface.

13. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 12, wherein a ratio of said water to said polymer particles range from about 7:1 to about 16:1 by weight.

14. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 12, wherein a ratio of water to said polymer particles is about 8:1 by weight.

15. (Previously Presented) A method of producing the coating of claim 1, comprising pre-wetting a target surface, dispensing said polymer particles to said target surface, and adding said water to said polymer particles on said target surface.

16. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 15, wherein a ratio of said water to said polymer particles range from about 7:1 to about 16:1 by weight.

17. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 15, wherein a ratio of water to said polymer particles is about 8:1 by weight

18. (Currently Amended) A coating comprising polymer particles selected from the group consisting of acrylic polymers, polyacrylates, polyacrylamides, polyacrylic acids, and copolymers thereof, and one of glycerol or oil to provide an anti-traction material in the form of a viscous gel coating.

19. (Previously Presented) The coating according to claim 18, wherein a ratio of said glycerol or oil to said polymer particles range from about 7:1 to about 16:1 by weight.

20. (Previously Presented) The coating according to claim 18, wherein a ratio of glycerol or oil to said polymer particles is about 8:1 by weight.

21. (Cancelled)

22. (Previously Presented) The coating according to claim 18, wherein said coating is capable of being dispensed on and adhering to horizontal, sloping or vertical surfaces.

23. (Previously Presented) The coating according to claim 22, wherein said surfaces include one or a plurality of concrete, tile, asphalt, grass, wood, soil, floors, walkways, roads, runways, windows, doorknobs, railings, steps, stairways, entryways, walls, weapons, steering columns, or tools.

24. (Previously Presented) The coating according to claim 8, wherein said surfaces include one or a plurality of concrete, tile, asphalt, grass, wood, soil, floors, walkways, roads, runways, windows, doorknobs, railings, steps, stairways, entryways, walls, weapons, steering columns, or tools.

25. (Previously Presented) The coating according to claim 1, wherein said polymer particles are in anionic form.

26. (Previously Presented) The coating according to claim 18, further comprising additives selected from the group consisting of malodorants, chemicals, colorants, and mixtures thereof.

27. (Previously Presented) The coating according to claim 18, wherein said polymer particles are in anionic form.

28. (Previously Presented) The coating according to claim 18, wherein said polymer particles have a mean particle size of about 0.01 to 0.5 mm.